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Atty Docket No.: 10980251-1  
App. Scr. No.: 09/483,183REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the claim amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1-29 are currently pending, of which claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 are independent. Claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 have been amended. Support for the amendments may be found on page 8 lines 7-25 lines 5-27 of the originally filed specification.

No new matter has been introduced by way of the claim amendments. Moreover, the scope of the claims has not been altered by the amendment submitted herein; entry thereof is therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 were rejected under U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 were rejected under U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Examiner Interview Conducted

The Applicants' representative would like to thank Examiner Brown for the courtesies extended during the interview conducted on November 9, 2006. During the interview, the Applicants' representative presented Examiner Brown with a proposed amendment incorporating Examiner Brown's suggestions made in the Final Office Action. Examiner Brown suggested minor corrections to the proposed amendment and indicated that an amendment incorporating the minor correction would overcome all current rejections and the

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prior art of record. Examiner Brown suggested filing an after-final amendment and indicated that an allowance would be issued, assuming no further prior art was uncovered.

Accordingly, the Examiner's suggestions have been incorporated into the amendment presented herein.

The after-final amendment was filed, as discussed during the interview, but resulted in the Advisory Action of December 04, 2006, in which Examiner Brown raised additional concerns. A second Examiner's interview was conducted with Examiner Brown on December 20, 2006 to discuss the concerns raised in the Advisory Action. The independent claims have been amended to include features directed towards encrypting the document at the server and the printer receiving the encrypted document from the server via a network as discussed during the interview. Accordingly, the Applicants' representative believes that allowance of the claims is forthcoming. In the event that the Examiner believes the claims are not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to expedite allowance.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph

Claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 were rejected under U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Examiner suggested selectively removing the word "encrypted" from the claims. Accordingly, the word "encrypted" has been selectively removed from the claims, per the Examiner's suggestions.

Therefore, claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 comply with the written description requirement and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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**Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph**

Claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 were rejected under U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner suggested providing an additional statement "to the effect of if the server times out." Accordingly, the statement suggested by the Examiner has been added to the independent claims, per the Examiner's suggestions.

Therefore, claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19, and 25 comply with U.S.C. §112, second paragraph and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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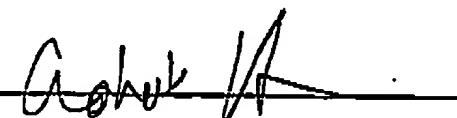
In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejections of record and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would assist in resolving any issues pertaining to the allowability of the above-identified application, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. Please grant any required extensions of time and charge any fees due in connection with this request to deposit account no. 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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